

Kūlia Education Foundation

Kūlia Academy Charter School

State:

Hawaii

PR Award Number:

S282B220003

Duration (Years):

5 Years

Year 1 Funding:

\$210,500

Total Expected Funding:

\$1,499,804

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Kūlia Academy is a new charter school scheduled to open in the Kalihi neighborhood of Honolulu, HI in August 2024. Kūlia Academy plans to start with 100 sixth graders and expand to have 700 students in grades six to twelve at full capacity. The school will focus on data science and artificial intelligence instruction, inquiry-based learning and a saturated college counseling program with a counselor-to-student ratio of one-to-one hundred.

Kūlia Academy will admit all students who apply and conduct a public lottery if the number of applications exceeds the number of available spots. However, the children of staff members and board members will receive priority. Kūlia was one of just two charter schools approved in Hawaii since 2017 out of 17 charter school applicants. Kūlia Academy's charter application was approved on June 23, 2022, with a two-year pre-opening period required by the authorizer.

Kūlia Academy pursues the following objectives:

Objective #1: Start the school with 100 sixth graders in the 2024-25 academic year and enroll 100 sixth graders every year thereafter. Records will be recorded on the school's student information system, as well as annually on Hawaii's Strive reports.

Objective #2: In Year 4, the school's year-over-year student retention rate will be 90%.

Objective #3: In Year 5, a cohort analysis of longitudinal growth will show a minimum of seven percentiles of growth per year on the MAP Tests or Common Core state tests in English and Math for students who have been enrolled at Kūlia Academy for at least two years in grades six to twelve.